## **CVPIA Project Prioritization and Planning**

## Background

- Goals of CVPIA defined in Act
- BOR/F&WS Responsible for Implementing, in collaboration with State and local entities
- Stakeholder Issues related to:
  - Lack of understanding re basis of decisions and process itself
  - Near term Implementation objectives vague
  - Lack of project management oversight
    - scope
    - criteria for decisions
    - budget controls
  - Lack of Agency response to concerns
  - Overlap of biological decisions with policy decisions

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## Elements of Proposed Process

- Collaborative (vs review of agency decisions)
  - Three different levels of technical support
- Separate policy decisions from biological decisions
- Separate tasks re identification of species' needs from actions which respond to those needs
- Habitat focus but guided by species' needs
- Adaptive management plus recognized need for "research"
- Maximize local influence over local watershed actions
- Significant Coordination with CalFed process

#### CVPIA Prioritization and Planning Process



